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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include the "current" Figure 1 (PCT Substitute Sheet) and a "new" Figure 1 changes. The changes related to the way the nucleotide positions (of SEQ ID NO:1) were numbered in the earlier Figure 1 and the new Figure 1 in which the numbering of those positions corresponds to way they are given in the specification and claims.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 this paper.